

# Children with Special Needs

## Internet Guide for Parents and Professionals



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**This guide was produced to help parents and professionals seeking information about children with special needs gain access to the various web sites that may address needs or questions they have. The Internet is a source of information that may or may not contain valid information. Information derived from these sites does not necessarily reflect the opinions or practices of anyone involved with the Birth to Three Early Intervention System. This guide serves as a resource only, not as an endorsement or validation for the information provided by the site. Information provided by the sites should not be construed as medical advice. Please consult your health care professional before making any decisions regarding your child's health care needs.**

### Basic Internet Directions:

- ◆ When you begin a search on the Internet, there are many search engines that can be used to search for a topic of choice. A search engine is a webpage database that gives an option to search for various topics. Each differs in the way the results of the search are displayed. Any search engine may be used depending upon the personal preference of the searcher, and you may find different sites located in each engine. You may also find that the search results of one day may be different than a previous day due to the many changes that occur on the Internet from day to day.
- ◆ Below are listings of search engines and websites that may be useful to you as you begin your search. The way that these engines and sites can be found is to do the following:
  1. When you begin use of the Internet, you will be on a main page that will be a search engine of its own. It could be any one, dependent on the server that that is used. For example, this could be America on-line, Netscape, AT&T, etc.
  2. If you want to search from this screen, simply go to the search box and enter the keywords of the topic of interest. Results will be displayed and you will be able to choose the topic or site of your choice. You will be able to return to that search site from the new site that you go to by clicking on the back square at the top of the screen.
  3. If this search engine is not what you want to use, find the long box at the top of the screen where the word 'address' is located. From here click once on the website address, for example <http://www.yahoo.com>. Doing this will turn it blue in color and then by hitting backspace it will be erased. A double click on this will allow you to have a cursor in the address box and from there you can blackout any part of it you wish.
  4. When it is blank, you may enter a new address that should always start with: http://  
Sometimes you will need the www after this, and other times it is not needed (it should be entered if it is written that way on this sheet).
  5. When you are finished typing in the entire address, press 'enter' and the computer will search for the website of your request.
  6. If an error message is given, check the address and re-enter. Sometimes the server for the site is down and it may be advisable to try again another time.

Below are the addresses for some search engines and websites that may be helpful to you. Good Luck and enjoy surfing the Web.

### **Search Engines**

Alta Vista	<a href="http://altavista.digital.com/cgi-bin/query">altavista.digital.com/cgi-bin/query</a>
Amazon	<a href="http://amazon.com">amazon.com</a>
Excite	<a href="http://www.excite.com/index.html">www.excite.com/index.html</a>
Go	<a href="http://go.com">go.com</a>
I find	<a href="http://m5.inference.com/ifind/">m5.inference.com/ifind/</a>
Lycos	<a href="http://www.lycos.com">www.lycos.com</a>
Meta Crawler	<a href="http://Metacrawler.com">Metacrawler.com</a>
Savvy Search	<a href="http://www.search.com">www.search.com</a>
Snap	<a href="http://snap.com">snap.com</a>
Web Crawler	<a href="http://www.webcrawler.com">www.webcrawler.com</a>
Yahoo	<a href="http://www.yahoo.com">www.yahoo.com</a>

### **Medline Search** (Medical search engines)

Health Gate Medline Access	<a href="http://www.healthgate.com">www.healthgate.com</a>
Health World Medline Access	<a href="http://www.healthy.net/library/search/medline.htm">www.healthy.net/library/search/medline.htm</a>
Medscape	<a href="http://www.medscape.com/">www.medscape.com/</a>

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## **Government**

Federal Register - U.S. Department of Education Announcement	<a href="http://www.Ed.Gov/Legislation/FedRegister/">www.Ed.Gov/Legislation/Fed Register/</a>	Provides a choice of the U.S. Department of Education documents to be viewed.
Federal World Home Page	<a href="http://www.fedworld.gov/#hletr">www.fedworld.gov/#hletr</a>	Provides a way to search within the government for reports and information
GPO Access	<a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/db2.html">www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs /db2.html</a>	Provides a link to search different departments of government
HHS Agencies	<a href="http://www.hhs.gov/agencies">www.hhs.gov/agencies</a>	Home page for the office of Health and Human Services
I DE A Practices	<a href="http://www.ideapractices.org">www.ideapractices.org</a>	Resource rich and highly interactive website that provides service providers and local administrators with information and support for I DE A-related concerns, issues, and strategies; also provides links
Social Security Online	<a href="http://www.ssa.gov">www.ssa.gov</a>	Provides information about social security
U.S. Dept of Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov">www.ed.gov</a>	Home page for the U.S. Department of Education
U.S. Federal Government Agencies	<a href="http://www.lib.lsu.edu/gov/fedgov.Html">www.lib.lsu.edu/gov/fedgov. Html</a>	U.S. Federal Government agencies directory

## **Laws concerning Disability**

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)	<a href="http://handicap.bfn.org/public/ada.html">handicap.bfn.org/public/ada.html</a>	Library directory of topics on the Americans with Disabilities Act
Laws Affecting Children with Special Needs	<a href="http://www.lrp.com/Fed.htm">www.lrp.com/Fed.htm</a>	Site comprised of a listing of materials and directories around issues of law available for order
National Center for Dissemination of Disability Research(NCDDR)	<a href="http://www.ncddr.org/index.html">www.ncddr.org/index.html</a>	Provides information on research in the area of children with disabilities and collaboration between federal agencies
Office of Civil Rights – Department of Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OCR">www.ed.gov/offices/OCR</a>	Homepage for the Office of Civil Rights that provides information on the law, recent publications, and links to related sites



The Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities (CCD)	<a href="http://www.c-c-d.org">www.c-c-d.org</a>	Homepage that discusses the organization and provides information on recent news about disabilities
I DE A '97	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/I DE A/index.html">www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/I DE A/index.html</a>	Provides information on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

## **Finance Issues**

Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)	<a href="http://www.hcfa.gov">www.hcfa.gov</a>	Information on Medicare, Medicaid, and Child Health insurance
Social Security Benefits for Children with Disabilities	<a href="ftp://ftp.ssa.gov/pub/pubs/10026.html">ftp://ftp.ssa.gov/pub/pubs/10026.html</a>	Article discussing social security benefits for children with disabilities (government publication)
The Finance Project	<a href="http://www.financeproject.org">www.financeproject.org</a>	National initiative to create knowledge and share information that will lead to the improved well-being of children, families, and communities

## **Early Intervention/Early Childhood**

Child Development Media, Inc.	<a href="http://www.childdevmedia.com">www.childdevmedia.com</a>	Provides a listing of videos and training materials produced by leading behavior specialists, available for purchase
Division of Early Childhood	<a href="http://www.dec-sped.org">www.dec-sped.org</a>	Provides information on conference, government actions, links, and publications
Early Intervention Related Links	<a href="http://www.dec-sped.org/eilinks.html">www.dec-sped.org/eilinks.html</a>	Links to sites related to Early Intervention, children with special needs and their families. Information dealing with policy, research, and services included
I.E.P	<a href="http://www.lonline">www.lonline</a> go to Search and type in "I EP"	Provides information about the Individualized Education Plan and what they mean to the family and child- This also discusses a lot about learning disabilities
The Hanen Early Language Program	<a href="http://www.hanen.org">www.hanen.org</a>	Provides information about the program concerning language delay and updates of research- Also provides links and materials available for purchase

## **Transition**

Allen, Shea, and Associates	<a href="http://www.allenshea.com">www.allenshea.com</a>	Professional services in the area of planning, research, training, materials development, and evaluation within the field of human services emphasizing developmental disabilities
FACTS/LRE Project	<a href="http://facts.crc.uiuc.edu/facts4/facts4.html">facts.crc.uiuc.edu/facts4/facts4.html</a>	Planning your child's transition to preschool – step by step guide for families
Preparing Children with Disabilities for School	<a href="http://kidsource.com">kidsource.com</a> Go to search type in "transiton for children with disabilities"	Article with information on how government supports readiness, special problems faced during transition, family role, teacher's role, elements of successful transition, transition timeline

## **Advocacy**

ARC of the US	<a href="http://www.thearc.org">www.thearc.org</a>	National organization of and for people with mental retardation and related disabilities and their families; resources, publications, FAQ's, and links
Children Now	<a href="http://www.childrennow.org">www.childrennow.org</a>	Group working to advocate for children and families. Provides information about the organization, articles, resources, newsletter, and links to other resources
Children's Defense Fund (CDF)	<a href="http://www.childrensdefense.org">www.childrensdefense.org</a>	Provides valuable information about the children's population in the U.S. and articles on several issues, also a Parent Resource Network
Family USA Foundation: The Voice for Health Care Consumers	<a href="http://www.familiesusa.org">www.familiesusa.org</a>	Provides information about the organization, publications, and child health
Family Voices	<a href="http://www.familyvoices.org">www.familyvoices.org</a>	Provides information sheets, publications, resources, and listing of their current projects; also available in Spanish
National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems (NAPAS)	<a href="http://www.protectionandadvocacy.com">www.protectionandadvocacy.com</a>	Contains references to training, material, and resources of value to disability advocacy organizations

## **Parent & Family: Information and Support**

Baby Place: The internet Parenting Resource	<a href="http://www.baby-place.com">www.baby-place.com</a>	Provides information on pregnancy and birth, parenting, products and services, and general parent concerns
Beginnings for Parents of Children who are Hard of Hearing	<a href="http://beginningssvcs.com">beginningssvcs.com</a>	Help parents be informed, empowered, and competent so they can be knowledgeable decision makers
Children's Liver Alliance	<a href="http://www.livertx.org">www.livertx.org</a>	Provides link to CenterSpan support site for parents dealing with transplants
Chromosome Deletion Outreach	<a href="http://Chromodisorder.org/index.html">Chromodisorder.org/index.html</a>	Support group for families dealing with children with chromosome concerns
Contact Information	<a href="http://www.seliger.com">www.seliger.com</a>	Provides grant writing services
Dictionary: For Parents of Children with Disabilities	<a href="http://www.usd.edu/sduap/Dictionary/Dictionary.htm">www.usd.edu/sduap/Dictionary/Dictionary.htm</a>	Comprehensive dictionary of terms pertaining to children with disabilities
Family Internet Home Page	<a href="http://www.familyinternet.com">www.familyinternet.com</a>	Provides information on many areas for families and individuals in general
Family Support Network of NC Home Page	<a href="http://Fsnncc.med.unc.edu">Fsnncc.med.unc.edu</a>	Organization based out of North Carolina that provides a directory of services, camp listings and links
Our Kids	<a href="http://www.our-kids.org">www.our-kids.org</a>	Site dedicated to raising children with special needs
Parent News	<a href="http://www.parent.net">www.parent.net</a>	Provides facts, articles, movies, resources, and books
Parent's Rights and Responsibilities	<a href="http://www.accesseric.org/resources/parent/disab1.html">www.accesseric.org/resources/parent/disab1.html</a>	Parent Brochure – Rights and Responsibilities of parents of children with disabilities
Parents Place	<a href="http://www.parentspace.com">www.parentspace.com</a>	Discusses pregnancy, health, family, work, and chat is available
Reference Circular Parents' Guide to the Development of Preschool Children with Disabilities: Resources & Services	<a href="http://www.loc.gov/nls/reference/circulars/parents.html">www.loc.gov/nls/reference/circulars/parents.html</a>	Wide range of information to assist in promoting the development of a child with disabilities from infancy to age 5. Listing of organizations, producers, and distributors who offer materials or services, also a listing of books
Special Child Magazine	<a href="http://www.specialchild.com/index.html">www.specialchild.com/index.html</a>	Online publication dedicated to parents of children with special needs

## **Sibling Relationships**

Children with Disabilities: Understanding Sibling Issues (NICHY)	Ldonline.org Go to search and type in "siblings"	Article on sibling issues
Kids N' Sibs	<a href="http://www.ggw.org/freenet/k/kns/index.html">www.ggw.org/freenet/k/kns/index.html</a>	Provides an online newsletter for siblings of children with disabilities, off-line newsletter also available
The Sibling Support Project	<a href="http://www.chmc.org/departmt/sibsupp">www.chmc.org/departmt/sibsupp</a>	Provides general information for siblings of all ages of children with special needs, resources, newsletter, information on sibshops

## **Technology**

Alliance for Technology Access	<a href="http://www.ataccess.org">www.ataccess.org</a>	Provides information on assistive technology centers, books, facts, and vendors
Applied Science and Engineering Labs	<a href="http://www.asel.udel.edu">www.asel.udel.edu</a>	Gives information on terms, devices, and types of equipment, also links to other resources
Assistive Technology devices and Services	<a href="http://interact.uoregon.edu/wrrc/IDEAATech.html">interact.uoregon.edu/wrrc/IDEAATech.html</a>	Information on IDEA amendments affecting assistive technology
Center for Computer Assistance to the Disabled	<a href="http://www.c-cad.org">www.c-cad.org</a>	Provides information on the organization and topics on computer assistance, information, referral, and links available
Delaware Assistive Technology Initiative (DATI)	<a href="http://www.asel.udel.edu/dati">www.asel.udel.edu/dati</a>	Discusses assistive technology help for people and children in Delaware, newsletter available

## **Adaptive Toys**

AdaptiveMall.com	<a href="http://www.adaptivemall.com">www.adaptivemall.com</a>	Assistive technology and adaptive devices at discount for children and youth with disabilities; full line of toys and games as well as many other categories of assistive devices
Family Village - Adaptive Toys	<a href="http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/at/adaptive-toys.html#info">www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/at/adaptive-toys.html#info</a>	Provides a listing of resources and vendors surrounding adaptive toys

Kaplan	<a href="http://www.kaplanco.com">www.kaplanco.com</a>	Building activities, game boards, balloon kits, balls, etc. Four categories to choose catalogs from: exceptional children, early childhood, outdoor classroom, and math, science, technology & more
TFH (USA) LTD	<a href="http://www.tfhusa.com">www.tfhusa.com</a>	Line of unique, adapted toys and products for children and adults with special needs
The Dragonfly Toy Company	<a href="http://www.dragonflytoys.com">www.dragonflytoys.com</a>	For children with special play needs; online catalog and tips

## **Adaptive Clothing**

Family Village - Adaptive Clothing	<a href="http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/at/adaptive-clothing.htm">www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/at/adaptive-clothing.htm</a>	Provides vendor listings and other resources surrounding adaptive clothing
Special Clothes, Inc.	<a href="http://www.special-clothes.com">www.special-clothes.com</a>	Adaptive clothing for children with disabilities, helping boys and girls with special needs meet the world with pride and confidence

## **Adaptive Equipment**

Enabling Devices	<a href="http://www.enablingdevices.com">www.enablingdevices.com</a>	Exceptional Products for Exceptional People
Flaghouse	<a href="http://FlagHouse.com">FlagHouse.com</a>	Provides a one-stop shopping experience
Haverich	<a href="http://www.haverich.com">www.haverich.com</a>	Wide variety of Orthopaedic Cycles
Mealtimes	<a href="http://www.new-vis.com">www.new-vis.com</a>	A resource for oral-motor, feeding, and mealtime programs

## **Activities**

Alternative Leisure Company	<a href="http://www.alctrips.com">www.alctrips.com</a>	Provides information about trips and camps for children with disabilities
Special Olympics	<a href="http://www.specialolympics.org">www.specialolympics.org</a>	Program of sports training and competition for individuals with mental retardation
The American Camping Association	<a href="http://search.acacamps.org/search.html">search.acacamps.org/search.html</a>	Provides a way to search the country for camps according to need

## **Entertainment**

Disability Center	<a href="http://www.disabilitycentral.com/activeteen">www.disabilitycentral.com/activeteen</a>	DC Active teen is managed by and for teens with disabilities. We are an online cyber community where we can socialize, educate one another and just have fun together.
Lycoszone	<a href="http://Lycoszone.Lycos.com">Lycoszone.Lycos.com</a>	Light-hearted website that focuses on youngsters and teens.

## **National Disability Organizations**

American Association of University Affiliated Programs for Persons with Developmental Disabilities	<a href="http://www.aauap.org">www.aauap.org</a>	Provides information about organizations for people with disabilities, legislation, special projects, resources, membership, and links
American Association on Mental Retardation	<a href="http://www.aamr.org">www.aamr.org</a>	Provides information on careers, publications, conferences, etc.
American Society for Deaf Children	<a href="http://www.deafchildren.org">www.deafchildren.org</a>	Providing a link between those with experiences to share and people seeking answers; services, resources, and links
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association	<a href="http://www.asha.org">www.asha.org</a>	Provides information for professionals, students, and consumers
ARC of the US	<a href="http://www.thearc.org">www.thearc.org</a>	National organization of and for people with mental retardation and related disabilities and their families; resources, publications, FAQ's, and links
Association of Birth Defect Children, Inc.	<a href="http://www.birthdefects.org">www.birthdefects.org</a>	National clearinghouse to provide parents and professionals with information about birth defects and services for children with disabilities
Council for Exceptional Children	<a href="http://www.cec.sped.org">www.cec.sped.org</a>	Provides information about membership, legislation, publications, etc.
Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health	<a href="http://www.ffcmmh.org">www.ffcmmh.org</a>	National parent-run organization focused on the needs of children and youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental disorders and their families
National Academy for Child Development	<a href="http://www.nacd.org">www.nacd.org</a>	International organization of parents and professionals dedicated to helping

		children and adults reach their full potential. Articles, research, resources, products, and programs
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill	<a href="http://www.nami.org">www.nami.org</a>	Leading advocacy organization dedicated to improving the lives of persons with severe mental illnesses and severe anxiety disorders
National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)	<a href="http://www.naeyc.org">www.naeyc.org</a>	Nation's largest organization of early childhood professionals and others dedicated to improving the quality of early childhood education programs for children birth through age eight
National Council on Disability	<a href="http://www.ncd.gov">www.ncd.gov</a>	Independent federal agency making recommendations to the President and Congress on issues affecting 54 million Americans with disabilities
National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	<a href="http://www.cff.org">www.cff.org</a>	Resource of information on Cystic Fibrosis; research, facts, publications, and news
National Early Childhood Technical Assistance System	<a href="http://www.nectas.unc.edu">www.nectas.unc.edu</a>	National Technical Consortium working to support states, jurisdictions, and others to improve services and results for young children with disabilities and their families
National Easter Seal Society	<a href="http://www.seals.org">www.seals.org</a>	Non-profit, community-based health agency dedicated to helping children and adults with disabilities attain greater independence
National Health Information Center	<a href="http://nhic-nt.health.org">nhic-nt.health.org</a>	Health information referral service
National Information Center for Child and Youth with Disabilities(NI CHCY)	<a href="http://www.nichcy.org">www.nichcy.org</a>	National information and referral center that provides information on disabilities and disability-related issues for families, educators, and other professionals, available in Spanish
National Institute of Mental Health	<a href="http://www.nimh.nih.gov">www.nimh.nih.gov</a>	Mental health research organization; valuable information on specific mental disorders, diagnosis, and treatment (also in Spanish)
National Institute on Disability & Rehabilitation Research	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/NIDRR">www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/NIDRR</a>	Provides leadership and support for a comprehensive program of research related to the rehabilitation of individuals with disabilities

National Mental Health Association	<a href="http://www.nmha.org">www.nmha.org</a>	Dedicated to improving the mental health of all individuals and achieving victory over mental illnesses
National Organization of Parents of Blind Children	<a href="http://www.nfb.org">www.nfb.org</a>	Organization of parents and friends of blind children reaching out to each other to give vital support, encouragement, and information
National Organization on Disability	<a href="http://www.nod.org">www.nod.org</a>	Only National disability organization concerned with all disabilities, all age groups, and all disability issues
National Parent Network on Disabilities	<a href="http://www.npnd.org">www.npnd.org</a>	Provide a presence and national voice for ALL families of children, youth and adults with disabilities
National Transition Alliance for Youth with Disabilities (NTA)	<a href="http://www.dssc.org/nta/html/index_2.htm">www.dssc.org/nta/html/index_2.htm</a>	Promotes the transition of youth with disabilities toward desired post-school experiences, including gainful employment, post-secondary education and training, and independent living
Office of Special Education & Rehabilitation Services (OSERS)	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS">www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS</a>	Supports programs that assist in educating children with special needs, provides for the rehabilitation of youth and adults with disabilities, and supports research to improve the lives of individuals with disabilities
Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/OSEP/index.html">www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/OSEP/index.html</a>	Their mission and organization focus is on the free appropriate public education of children and youth with disabilities from birth through age 21
Research & Training Center on Family Support & Child Mental Health	<a href="http://www.rtc.pdx.edu">www.rtc.pdx.edu</a>	Activities focus on improving services to families whose children have mental, emotional or behavioral disorders through a set of related research and training programs

### **General Disability Sites**

Equal Access to Software and Information	<a href="http://www.isc.rit.edu/~easi">www.isc.rit.edu/~easi</a>	Serves as a resource to the education community by providing information in the area of access to information technologies by individuals with disabilities; on-line seminars and workshops
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Cornucopia of Disability Information (CODI)	<a href="http://codi.buffalo.edu">codi.buffalo.edu</a>	Information on disabilities including statistics, directories, databases, etc.
Internet Resources for Special Children	<a href="http://www.irsc.org">www.irsc.org</a>	Provides links to the internet about disability areas
MCH-NetLink Project	<a href="http://www.ichp.edu">www.ichp.edu</a>	Monthly electronic newsletter on Maternal Child Health Community
Nemours	<a href="http://www.nemours.org/no">www.nemours.org/no</a> <a href="http://www.kidshealth.org">www.kidshealth.org</a>	One of the nation's largest pediatric subspecialty group practices. Provides information and resources for a wide range of children's health and disability issues.
Self-Help Source Book	<a href="http://www.cmhc.com">www.cmhc.com</a>	Provides a directory of support groups and networks that are available throughout the world and in your community
The ARC's Q&A on Respite Care	<a href="http://www.thearc.org/faqs/respite.html">www.thearc.org/faqs/respite.html</a>	Information on respite care
The Family Village	<a href="http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/index.htmlx">www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/index.htmlx</a>	Global community that integrates information, resources, and communication opportunities on the Internet for persons with disabilities, their families, and those who provide them service and support
The JP Das Developmental Disabilities Centre	<a href="http://www.quasar.ualberta.ca/ddc/INDEX.html">www.quasar.ualberta.ca/ddc/INDEX.html</a>	Containing valuable information and resources in five major areas: inclusive education, violence & disability, developmental disabilities, human ethics, and links by categories; for parents of children with developmental disabilities
Zero to Three: National Center for Infants, Toddlers, & Families	<a href="http://www.zerotothree.org">www.zerotothree.org</a>	Goal is to strengthen and support families, practitioners, and communities to promote the healthy development of babies and toddlers; links and resources

**Specific Disability Sites:****ADD/ADHD**

A.D.D	<a href="http://www.cpgs.com/add">www.cpgs.com/add</a>	Treatment and Research Center
A.D.D. Clinic	<a href="http://www.addclinic.com">www.addclinic.com</a>	Diagnosis and treatment of Attention Deficit Disorder
ADD (C.H.A.D.D.)	<a href="http://www.chadd.org">www.chadd.org</a>	Works to improve the lives of those with ADD/ADHD through education, support, and advocacy
ADD & Oppositional Defiant Disorders in Children & Adults	<a href="http://users.choice.net/~digital/index.htm">users.choice.net/~digital/index.htm</a>	Article on this issue, and links
ADD/ADHD	<a href="http://www.sinbad.net/business/adds">www.sinbad.net/business/adds</a>	Important information regarding the side effects of common medications
ADD/ADHD support group	<a href="http://www.adders.org">www.adders.org</a>	Online support group, also provides news, information, research, resources, and links
Feingold Association of the United States (FAUS)	<a href="http://www.feingold.org">www.feingold.org</a>	Dedicated to increasing awareness of the connection between diet and the symptoms of ADD, ADHD, and learning disabilities
National Attention Deficit Association (ADDA)	<a href="http://www.add.org">www.add.org</a>	Organization that seeks to help people with ADD lead happier, more successful lives through education, research, and public advocacy
Resources on ADD	<a href="http://teis.virginia.edu:0080/go/cise/ose/categories/add.html">teis.virginia.edu:0080/go/cise/ose/categories/add.html</a>	Resources and information on ADD from the office of Special Education
Ritalin, ADHD, and Diagnosing Children	<a href="http://www.breggin.com/ritalin.html">www.breggin.com/ritalin.html</a>	Articles through the Center of Psychiatry and Psychology

**Autism**

AACAP	<a href="http://www.aacap.org/publications/factsfam/autistic.htm">www.aacap.org/publications/factsfam/autistic.htm</a>	Article on the autistic child
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Autism Network for Dietary Intervention	<a href="http://www.autismndi.com">www.autismndi.com</a>	Providing help and support for families using a Gluten & Casein Free Diet in the treatment of autism and related developmental disabilities
Autism Resources	<a href="http://www.vaporia.com/autism">www.vaporia.com/autism</a>	Information and index of links regarding the developmental disabilities autism and Asperger's Syndrome
Autism Resources in the U.S.A.	<a href="http://www.autism-info.com">www.autism-info.com</a>	Site providing information on national organizations, resources, and research throughout the United States. Selection of state can be made
Autism Society of America	<a href="http://www.autism-society.org">www.autism-society.org</a>	Mission is to promote lifelong access and opportunities for persons within the autism spectrum and their families, to be fully included, participating members of their communities through advocacy, public awareness, education, and research related to autism
Autism Support & Information	<a href="http://members.xoom.com/viah">members.xoom.com/viah</a>	Created by a group of autistic adults- Provides information and support
Autism Videos	<a href="http://www.autism.com/cont_ed_prog">www.autism.com/cont_ed_prog</a>	Provides information on videos for sale
Autism-PDD (Pervasive Developmental Disorder) Network	<a href="http://autism-pdd.net">autism-pdd.net</a>	Information guide dedicated to autism spectrum disorders
Center for Study of Autism (CFA)	<a href="http://www.autism.org">www.autism.org</a>	The Center provides information about autism to parents and professionals, and conducts research on the efficacy of various therapeutic interventions. Much research is in collaboration with the Autism Research Institute in San Diego, California.
Community Services for Autistic Adults & Children (CSAAC)	<a href="http://www.csaac.org">www.csaac.org</a>	Private, non-profit organization that offers services to individuals with autism
Cure Autism Now (CAN)	<a href="http://canfoundation.org">canfoundation.org</a>	Dedicated to promoting and funding research with direct clinical application for treatment of autism
FEAT	<a href="http://rdrop.com/users/feator">rdrop.com/users/feator</a>	Families for Early Autism Treatment of Oregon providing resources, links, newsletter, and parent guide

Future Horizons	<a href="http://www.futurehorizons-autism.com">www.futurehorizons-autism.com</a>	Provides information on videos, books, publications, and conferences; links and newsletter
other sites	<a href="http://www.autism.org/links.html">www.autism.org/links.html</a>	List of internet resources and links concerning autism
TEACCH	<a href="http://www.unc.edu/depts/teacch">www.unc.edu/depts/teacch</a>	Treatment and education of autistic and related communication handicapped children
The Autism Channel	<a href="http://www.autismchannel.net">www.autismchannel.net</a>	Provides chat, information, and support to parents with children with autism or related disorders
The Autism Society of Delaware	<a href="http://www.wserv.com/delautism">www.wserv.com/delautism</a>	Families and friends of people with autism providing education, advocacy, and public awareness throughout Delaware

### **Asperger's Syndrome**

ASPEN - Asperger Syndrome Education Network, Inc.	<a href="http://www.aspennj.org">www.aspennj.org</a>	Education about issues, support, and advocacy
ASPEN of America	<a href="http://www.asperger.org">www.asperger.org</a>	Provides support and information to parents of children with Asperger's and related disorders
Asperger's Syndrome	<a href="http://www.wpi.edu/~trek/aspergers.html">www.wpi.edu/~trek/aspergers.html</a>	Information about the disorder, internet resources and support networks, and reading lists
Asperger's Syndrome	<a href="http://www.autism-society.org">www.autism-society.org</a> go to search and type in "asperger's syndrome"	Answers to frequently asked questions, resource list
Disorder Homepage	<a href="http://www.ummed.edu/pub/o/ozbayrak/asperger.html">www.ummed.edu/pub/o/ozbayrak/asperger.html</a>	Provides general information on Asperger's syndrome
OASIS	<a href="http://www.udel.edu/bkirby/asperger">www.udel.edu/bkirby/asperger</a>	On-line Asperger's syndrome Information and Support
Welcome to A.S.P.I.E. Asperger's Syndrome Parent Information Environment	<a href="http://Aspie.freesevers.com/index.html">Aspie.freesevers.com/index.html</a>	Provide support and information, share personal experiences

## **Bone Disorders**

Fibrous Dysplasia	<a href="http://www.methodisthealth.com/use%20search%20engine%20A%20to%20Z">www.methodisthealth.com/ use search engine "A to Z"</a>	Information about the disease
Osteogenesis Imperfecta	<a href="http://www.healthlinkusa.com/231.html">www.healthlinkusa.com/ 231.html</a>	Links to websites which may include treatment, cures, diagnosis, prevention, support groups, risk factors, research, and more
Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation	<a href="http://www.oif.org">www.oif.org</a>	General information, links, and support; Free subscription to newsletter

## **Brain Injury**

Brain Injury Association, Inc.	<a href="http://www.biausa.org/index.htm">www.biausa.org/index.htm</a>	Comprehensive web site for persons with brain injury and their families; state offices, resources in various media, treatment and rehabilitation, National Directory
Brain Injury Center	<a href="http://www.braincenter.org">www.braincenter.org</a>	An information gateway regarding acquired brain injury
Brain Injury Guide	<a href="http://members.aol.com/bigkate4/big.htm">members.aol.com/bigkate4/ big.htm</a>	Personal page providing information, story, and links
Brain Injury Information Network	<a href="http://tbinet.org">tbinet.org</a>	Statistics, coma information, email support groups, resources and links
Brain-Net	<a href="http://www.btinternet.com/~brain.net/">www.btinternet.com/~brain. net/</a>	International Consultancy in child development; U.K. site about brain injury available in English, Dutch, and Italian
Coma Waiting Place	<a href="http://www.waiting.com">www.waiting.com</a>	Directed to those who are waiting while someone is in a coma, information about brain injury, resources, and support
The Perspectives Network (TPN)	<a href="http://www.tbi.org">www.tbi.org</a>	Focuses to communicate public awareness and knowledge of acquired brain injury
Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems	<a href="http://www.tbims.org">www.tbims.org</a>	Links to publications, a database, news, the center for outcomes measurement, and other areas

## **Cerebral Palsy**

CP: Resource Center	<a href="http://www.twinenterprises.com">www.twinenterprises.com</a>	Provides answers to FAQ's, a book list, and resources
Cerebral Palsy	<a href="http://www.comeunity.com">www.comeunity.com</a>	In children: articles and resources for parents
How Can I Help?	<a href="http://www.iinet.com.au/~scarffam/cpa.html">www.iinet.com.au/~scarffam/cpa.html</a>	Information for friends and relatives of a child with cerebral palsy
NI CHCY- General Information about Cerebral Palsy	<a href="http://www.kidsource.com/NI CHCY/cerebral_palsy.html">www.kidsource.com/NI CHCY/cerebral_palsy.html</a>	General information about Cerebral Palsy including definition, incidence, characteristics, educational implications; and a list of resources and organizations
United Cerebral Palsy Association (UCPA)	<a href="http://www.ucpa.org">www.ucpa.org</a>	Seeks to advance the independence, productivity and full citizenship of people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities
What is CP?	<a href="http://abone.superonline.com/cpalsy">abone.superonline.com/cpalsy</a>	Informative site in English and Turkish about cerebral palsy

## **Cleft Lip & Palate**

Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery	<a href="http://www.plasticsurgery.org/surgery/cleftlp.htm">www.plasticsurgery.org/surgery/cleftlp.htm</a>	Plastic surgery information
Cleft Lip and/or Palate Deformities	<a href="http://www.craniofacial.net">www.craniofacial.net</a>	General information, as well as information on surgery, feeding, problem with ears, speech evaluation and treatment
Cleft Lip/Cleft Palate	<a href="http://www.surgery.uiowa.edu/surgery/plastic/cleftnet.html">www.surgery.uiowa.edu/surgery/plastic/cleftnet.html</a>	Brief tutorial from the University of Iowa's Department of Plastic Surgery
Cleft Lip/Cleft Palate: Internet Resources	<a href="http://www.samizdat.com/#cleft">www.samizdat.com/#cleft</a>	List of articles with links
FAQ: Cleft Lip/Palate	<a href="http://www.plasticsurgery.org/faq/cleft.htm">www.plasticsurgery.org/faq/cleft.htm</a>	FAQ's about cleft plastic surgery
International Institute for Birth Defects	<a href="http://www.cleft.net/info">www.cleft.net/info</a>	Information, support, research, and prevention on Cleft Lip/Palate
Wide Smiles	<a href="http://www.widesmiles.org">www.widesmiles.org</a>	Support, inspiration, information, and networking for families dealing with the challenges associated with clefting

## **Cystic Fibrosis**

CF.com	<a href="http://www.cysticfibrosis.com">www.cysticfibrosis.com</a>	Provides support, resources, and information
Cystic Fibrosis – Doctor's Guide to the Internet	<a href="http://www.pslgroup.com/CF.htm">www.pslgroup.com/CF.htm</a>	The latest medical news and information for patients or friends/parents of patients diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis and related disorders
Cystic Fibrosis Care	<a href="http://www.cfcare.com">www.cfcare.com</a>	Provides people with cystic fibrosis, family members, and the CF community with quick and easy access to education, information, and breaking stories on the latest treatments and issues
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	<a href="http://www.cff.org">www.cff.org</a>	Resource of information
Cystic Fibrosis Index of Online Resources	<a href="http://vmsb.csd.mu.edu/~5418lukasr/cystic.html">Vmsb.csd.mu.edu/~5418lukasr/cystic.html</a>	An exhaustive guide to all on-line web pages, news groups, FAQ's, chat rooms, and mailing list
Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc.	<a href="http://www.cfri.org">www.cfri.org</a>	Information on research in the field
Cystic Fibrosis Web	<a href="http://cf-web.mit.edu">cf-web.mit.edu</a>	Information, links, support groups, and publications
Family Guide to Cystic Fibrosis Genetic Testing	<a href="http://www.phd.msu.edu/cf/fam.html">www.phd.msu.edu/cf/fam.html</a>	Basic information for families

## **Deaf/Blind**

American Association of the Deaf-Blind	<a href="http://www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu">www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu</a>	National consumer advocacy organization for people who have combined hearing and vision impairments
Deaf/Blind Online	<a href="http://www.sscs.esu.k12.oh.us/deafblind.html">www.sscs.esu.k12.oh.us/deafblind.html</a>	Provides technical assistance to families, educational personnel, and other service providers through training efforts and the dissemination of information on innovative approaches to educating children and youth with dual-sensory impairments

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf/Blind Youth	<a href="http://www.helenkeller.org/national">www.helenkeller.org/national</a>	Provides state resources, links, and publications
National Information Clearinghouse on Children who are Deaf/Blind	<a href="http://www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu/dblink">www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu/dblink</a>	Provides links, state resources, databases, and publications
National Technical Assistance Consortium for Deaf/Blind	<a href="http://www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu/ntac">www.tr.wosc.osshe.edu/ntac</a>	Provides statistics and workshop information

### **Down Syndrome**

Assoc. for Children with Down Syndrome(ACDS)	<a href="http://www.acds.org">www.acds.org</a>	Provides facts, support, and resources
Breastfeeding a Child with Down Syndrome	<a href="http://home.vicnet.net.au/~nmaa/bfinfo/down.html">home.vicnet.net.au/~nmaa/bfinfo/down.html</a>	Information on this subject
Diagnosis Down Syndrome	<a href="http://Leeworks.net/DDS">Leeworks.net/DDS</a>	Personal site with stories dedicated to parents
Down Syndrome Health Issues	<a href="http://www.ds-health.com">www.ds-health.com</a>	Provides essays about children with down syndrome for other parents written by a pediatrician and father
Down Syndrome Online Advocacy Group	<a href="http://www.dsoag.com">www.dsoag.com</a>	Scientific and educational effort aimed at utilizing the communication power of the Internet to increase public understanding and support for clinical and biomedical research into Down syndrome
Down Syndrome WWW page	<a href="http://nas.com/downsyn">nas.com/downsyn</a>	English, Spanish, and French speaking site that provides articles, essays, snapshots, links, information, and resources
Down Syndrome: Health Issues	<a href="http://www.ds-health.com">www.ds-health.com</a>	Articles, information lists, links and abstracts
Down Syndrome-A Parents Resource	<a href="http://www3.sympatico.ca/terry.edwards/Shelby.html">www3.sympatico.ca/terry.edwards/Shelby.html</a>	Parent site with personal stories, photos, and resources
DownsCity	<a href="http://www.downscity.com">www.downscity.com</a>	Provides a directory, mailing lists, resources, and links
DownsNet	<a href="http://www.downsnet.org">www.downsnet.org</a>	Contains information on research, a library, and services on Down Syndrome



Growth Charts for Children with Down Syndrome	<a href="http://www.growthcharts.com/charts/DS/charts.htm">www.growthcharts.com/charts/DS/charts.htm</a>	Growth charts for children with Down Syndrome
National Association of Down Syndrome	<a href="http://nads.org">nads.org</a>	Not-for-profit organization providing information and understanding
National Down Syndrome Congress	<a href="http://members.carol.net/~ndsc/index_fr.html">members.carol.net/~ndsc/index_fr.html</a>	National advocacy group that provides leadership in all areas related to persons with down syndrome
National Down Syndrome Education and Research Institute	<a href="http://web.idirect.com/~ndseri">web.idirect.com/~ndseri</a>	Instructional videos available and links
National Down Syndrome Society	<a href="http://www.ndss.org">www.ndss.org</a>	Assists families in addressing needs of children born with down syndrome and sponsors and encourages scientific research
Recommended Down Syndrome Sites	<a href="http://www.ds-health.com/ds_sites.htm#natl">www.ds-health.com/ds_sites.htm#natl</a>	Links to internet sites
The Family Empowerment Network	<a href="http://Downsyndrome.com">Downsyndrome.com</a>	Includes government resources, educational resources, medical information and resources, support groups, newsletters, and valuable links
The Lighter Side of Down Syndrome	<a href="http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/3153/dsmain.html">www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/3153/dsmain.html</a>	Personal site with stories and resources
Trisomy 21 Foundation	<a href="http://www.geocities.com/HotSprings/9438/index.htm">www.geocities.com/HotSprings/9438/index.htm</a>	Facts, information, Truths & Myths, research, and links
UPSIDE	<a href="http://www.telebyte.net/upside/upside.html">www.telebyte.net/upside/upside.html</a>	Informal society of individuals, parents, and friends

## **Dwarfism**

Dwarfism.org	<a href="http://www.dwarfism.org">www.dwarfism.org</a>	Centralized dwarfism resources
Human Growth Foundation	<a href="http://www.hgfound.org">www.hgfound.org</a>	Helps individuals with growth related disabilities, their families, and health care professionals by providing education, research, and advocacy
Little People of America	<a href="http://www.lpaonline.org">www.lpaonline.org</a>	Provides support and information to people of short stature and their families. Resources, data, and links

### **Fetal Alcohol Syndrome**

Alcohol Related Birth Injury – Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	<a href="http://www.arbi.org">www.arbi.org</a>	Offers educational research and legal resources for the prevention and treatment of alcohol-related birth injuries
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	<a href="http://www.come-over.to/FAS">www.come-over.to/FAS</a>	Provides a wide range of information including resources and links
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Family Resource Institute – FAS	<a href="http://www.accessone.com/~delindam/">www.accessone.com/~delindam/</a>	Non Profit Organization offers support groups, prevention programs, and information about this condition. Membership details included
MEL: Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	<a href="http://Mel.lib.mi.us/health/health-fas.html">Mel.lib.mi.us/health/health-fas.html</a>	Provides general information, support network, FASLINK and a mailing list for people interested in FAS
National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	<a href="http://www.nofas.org">www.nofas.org</a>	General information of FAS

### **Fragile X**

FRAXA Research Foundation	<a href="http://www.fraxa.org">www.fraxa.org</a>	Provides current information and links
National Fragile X Foundation	<a href="http://www.nfxf.org">www.nfxf.org</a>	Gives general information, resources for families, and links

### **Genetic Disorders and Birth Defects**

Association of Birth Defect Children, Inc (ABDC)	<a href="http://www.birthdefects.org">www.birthdefects.org</a>	Provides free phone information, written materials, special reports and newsletters to parents and professionals
CVS Birth Defects Registry	<a href="http://neuro-www3.mgh.harvard.edu/cvs/cvs.html">neuro-www3.mgh.harvard.edu/cvs/cvs.html</a>	General information and support
March of Dimes Birth Defect Foundation	<a href="http://www.modimes.org">www.modimes.org</a>	Organization that focuses on the birth of healthy babies
The Genetic Alliance	<a href="http://www.geneticalliance.org">www.geneticalliance.org</a>	Find a support group, useful resources, newsletters, and publications
The Teratology Society	<a href="http://www.teratology.org">www.teratology.org</a>	Site that provides information on birth defects, research, and prevention
Ultrasound and other Prenatal Diagnostic Tests	<a href="http://www.stanford.edu/~holbrook">www.stanford.edu/~holbrook</a>	Information on testing procedures

## Hearing Impairments

Alexander Graham Bell Assoc. for the Deaf	<a href="http://www.agbell.org">www.agbell.org</a>	Nonprofit membership organization that was established in 1890 to empower persons who are hearing impaired; information, provider & support network
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)	<a href="http://www.asha.org">www.asha.org</a>	Promote interests of and provide the highest quality services for professionals in audiology, speech-language pathology, and speech and hearing science, and to advocate for people with communication disabilities
Captioned Films/Videos Program	<a href="http://www.cfv.org">www.cfv.org</a>	Provides open-captioned films and videos, free for loan, for deaf and hard-of-hearing persons, teachers, organizations, and parents
Closed Captioning Web	<a href="http://www.captions.org">www.captions.org</a>	Information on closed captioning services, law and links
Hand Speak: A sign language dictionary online	<a href="http://www.handspeak.com">www.handspeak.com</a>	Visual language dictionary online.
I See What You Say	<a href="http://www.lipreading.com">www.lipreading.com</a>	Concerned with speech-reading skills, video with manual available
National Association of the Deaf	<a href="http://www.nad.org">www.nad.org</a>	Safeguards the accessibility and civil rights of 28 million deaf and hard of hearing Americans in a variety of areas
National Institute on Deaf & other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)	<a href="http://www.nih.gov">www.nih.gov</a> go to search and type in "NIDCD"	Mission is to uncover new knowledge that will lead to better health for everyone- Provides information on current research
Phonic Ear	<a href="http://www.phonicear.com">www.phonicear.com</a>	Leading developer and manufacturer of assistive listening devices, products, tools, and links
The Deaf Resource Library	<a href="http://www.deaflibrary.org">www.deaflibrary.org</a>	Collection of reference material and links to educate and inform people about deaf cultures in Japan and the U.S.
Where do we go from Hear?	<a href="http://www.gohear.org/index.html">www.gohear.org/index.html</a>	Provides information for families of infants and children diagnosed with hearing loss and professionals who work with these individuals

## **Hydrocephalus & Spina Bifida**

Children with Spina Bifida	<a href="http://www.waisman.wisc.edu/~rowley/sb-kids/index.htmlx">www.waisman.wisc.edu/~rowley/sb-kids/index.htmlx</a>	Resource page for parents
Hydrocephalus Association	<a href="http://www.HydroAssoc.org">www.HydroAssoc.org</a>	Provides support, education, resources, and advocacy
Hydrocephalus Center	<a href="http://www.patientcenters.com">www.patientcenters.com</a>	Provides articles and resources
Spina Bifida Association of America	<a href="http://www.sbaa.org">www.sbaa.org</a>	Provides toll free information & referral services, newsletter, publications, and links
The Hydrocephalus Foundation, Inc. (HyFI)	<a href="http://www.hydrocephalus.org">www.hydrocephalus.org</a>	Dedicated to providing support, resources, and networking opportunities
Welcoming Babies with Spina Bifida	<a href="http://Reseau.chebucto.ns.ca/Health/SBANS/welcoming.html">Reseau.chebucto.ns.ca/Health/SBANS/welcoming.html</a>	General information about Spina Bifida, resources, recommended readings

## **Hyperlexia**

American Hyperlexia Association Home Page	<a href="http://www.hyperlexia.org">www.hyperlexia.org</a>	Provides basic information and links
Hyperlexia and Language Disorders	<a href="http://www.geocities.com/HotSprings/9402/">www.geocities.com/HotSprings/9402/</a>	Provides articles and links
Hyperlexia Parents Page	<a href="http://Westwingpublishing.com/hyperlexia">Westwingpublishing.com/hyperlexia</a>	Information for parents with personal stories, articles, and chat available

## **Juvenile Diabetes**

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International – The Diabetes Research Foundation	<a href="http://www.jdf.org">www.jdf.org</a>	Research, publications, chapters, and advocacy
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIIDK)	<a href="http://www.niddk.nih.gov">www.niddk.nih.gov</a>	Information on health, programs, research, and FAQ's

## **Language/Speech Disorders**

American Speech-Language-Hearing-Association (ASHA)	<a href="http://www.asha.org">www.asha.org</a>	Promotes interest of services for professionals and people advocating for people with communication disorders
Apraxia Kids	<a href="http://www.apraxia-kids.org/index.html">www.apraxia-kids.org/index.html</a>	Provides information and how apraxia affects families and children, links and support groups
KidsEars	<a href="http://www.kidsears.com/mainmenu.htm">www.kidsears.com/mainmenu.htm</a>	Provides listing of milestones and suggestions
Kidsource Online: Spoken Language Problems	<a href="http://www.kidsource.com/LDA/spoken_language.html">www.kidsource.com/LDA/spoken_language.html</a>	Basic explanation of oral language disorders
National Aphasia Association	<a href="http://www.aphasia.org">www.aphasia.org</a>	Promotes public education, research, rehabilitation and support services to assist families
Speech and Language Disorder	<a href="http://www.mankato.msus.edu/dept/comdis/kuster2/splang.html">www.mankato.msus.edu/dept/comdis/kuster2/splang.html</a>	Provides listing of sites related to speech and language disorders

## **Learning Disabilities**

Essential Learning Institute	<a href="http://www.rsts.net/eli/index.html">www.rsts.net/eli/index.html</a>	Information on LD with audio introduction option
LD Online	<a href="http://www.ldonline.org/index.html">www.ldonline.org/index.html</a>	Interactive guide to learning disabilities for parents, teachers, and children
Learning Disabilities Association of America	<a href="http://www.ldanatl.org">www.ldanatl.org</a>	Dedicated to enhancing quality of life, alleviating restricting effects, and supporting endeavors to determine causes of learning disabilities
Learning Disabilities Clinic	<a href="http://www.ldclinic.com">www.ldclinic.com</a>	Private educational treatment facility for children, adolescents, and adults, dedicated to helping individuals achieve their full learning potential.
National Center for Learning Disabilities	<a href="http://www.ncld.org">www.ncld.org</a>	Provides information, resources, referral services, public awareness, advocacy and more
Special Kids	<a href="http://www.specialkids1.com">www.specialkids1.com</a>	Reaching and teaching kids with disabilities through videos, CD-Roms, and picture books
The Learning Center	<a href="http://learningcenteronline.com">learningcenteronline.com</a>	Information about testing and enrichment; Educational and counseling services to children and adults

## **Leukodystrophy**

United Leukodystrophy Foundation	<a href="http://www.ulf.org">www.ulf.org</a>	Dedicated to providing patients and their families with information and support, increasing public awareness, and promoting and supporting research
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## **Lowe Syndrome**

Lowe Syndrome Association	<a href="http://www.lowesyndrome.org">www.lowesyndrome.org</a>	Basic information and links
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## **Mental Retardation**

American Association on Mental Retardation	<a href="http://www.aamr.org">www.aamr.org</a>	Promotes global development and dissemination of progressive policies, sound research, effective practices, and universal human rights for people with intellectual disabilities
Best Buddies	<a href="http://www.bestbuddies.org">www.bestbuddies.org</a>	A nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of people with mental retardation by providing opportunities for socialization and employment
Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities	<a href="http://members.aol.com/MRandDD/index.htm">members.aol.com/MRandDD/index.htm</a>	Provides information on history, news, movies, and links
The ARC	<a href="http://www.thearc.org">www.thearc.org</a>	Organization committed to the welfare of all children and adults with mental retardation and their families

## **Muscular Dystrophy**

Muscular Dystrophy Association	<a href="http://www.mdausa.org">www.mdausa.org</a>	Information on research, services, publications, and clinics
Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation	<a href="http://www.mdff.org">www.mdff.org</a>	Provides services, resources, home medical equipment and adaptive devices to help people with muscular dystrophy and their family members live independent and productive lives

Muscular Dystrophy Parent Project	<a href="http://www.parentdmd.org">www.parentdmd.org</a>	Provides a network of communications, support for parents and children, and information on the disease, treatment, care, and conferences
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### **Paralysis and Spinal Cord Injury**

American Paralysis Association	<a href="http://www.apacure.com">www.apacure.com</a>	Information on news, research, publications, discussion, and events related to spinal cord injury and paralysis
Electrologic of America	<a href="http://www.electrologic.com/index.html">www.electrologic.com/index.html</a>	Latest news about the cure for SCI
National Spinal Cord Injury Association	<a href="http://www.spinalcord.org">www.spinalcord.org</a>	Improving care, producing results in research, and addressing everyday living issues that confront all people in wheelchairs
Spinal Cord Injury Resources	<a href="http://www.makoa.org/sci.htm">www.makoa.org/sci.htm</a>	Links containing general resources, newsletters, articles, and fact sheets
WheelWeb.Com: The Spinal Cord Injury Resource	<a href="http://www.wheelweb.com">www.wheelweb.com</a>	Purpose is to educate people about SCI and advance the lives of those who have it

### **Prader-Willi Syndrome**

GeneClinics	<a href="http://www.geneclinics.org/profiles/pws">www.geneclinics.org/profiles/pws</a>	Basic information on the disorder
PedBase	<a href="http://www.icondata.com/health/pedbase/files/PRADER-W.HTM">www.icondata.com/health/pedbase/files/PRADER-W.HTM</a>	Basic information on the disorder
Prader-Willi Syndrome Association	<a href="http://www.pwsausa.org">www.pwsausa.org</a>	Information on organizations, FAQ's, research, brochures, and support

## **Rare Disorders**

National Organisation for Rare Disorders(NORD)	<a href="http://www.rarediseases.org">www.rarediseases.org</a>	Committed to the identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through programs of education, advocacy, research, and service; newsletter, and search databases
Genetic/Rare Conditions Support Groups & Information Site	<a href="http://www.kumc.edu/gec/support/groups.html">www.kumc.edu/gec/support/groups.html</a>	Allows for a search of support groups according to disability; information on genetic conditions or birth defects for professionals, educators, and individuals
Rare Genetic Diseases in Children	<a href="http://Mcrcr2.med.nyu.edu/murphp01/homenew.htm">Mcrcr2.med.nyu.edu/murphp01/homenew.htm</a>	Pathway search to specific rare disorders

## **Rett Syndrome**

International Rett Syndrome Association  (IRSA)	<a href="http://www.rettysyndrome.org">www.rettysyndrome.org</a>	Purpose is to support and encourage medical research, determine the cause and find a cure for Rett syndrome, to increase public awareness, and to provide informational and emotional support to families; available in French, Dutch, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish
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## **Seizure Disorders**

American Epilepsy Society	<a href="http://www.aesnet.org">www.aesnet.org</a>	Promotes research and education for professionals dedicated to the prevention, cure, and treatment of epilepsy
Lycoszone	<a href="http://Lycoszone.Lycos.com">Lycoszone.Lycos.com</a> Go to search and type in "epilepsy"	Light-hearted website that focuses on epilepsy and seizure disorders for youngsters and teens.
Epilepsia	<a href="http://www.epilepsia.com">www.epilepsia.com</a>	Official journal of The International League Against Epilepsy (on-line journal)
Epilepsy Contact Database	<a href="http://www.datasync.com/~josw/epilepsy.htm">www.datasync.com/~josw/epilepsy.htm</a>	A database of families and bookstore developed to unite and educate those affected by and afflicted by epilepsy
Epilepsy Foundation of America	<a href="http://www.efa.org">www.efa.org</a>	Provides information on advocacy, services, publications, research, etc.



Epilepsy International	<a href="http://www.epiworld.com">www.epiworld.com</a>	Provides a large, comprehensive and well-designed educational and informational resource for those working with and/or dealing with epilepsy on a day-to-day basis in English and Spanish language
Parent site	<a href="http://geocities.com/HotSprings/1000">geocities.com/HotSprings/1000</a>	Support platform for parents and other caregivers of children with epilepsy
The Epicentre	<a href="http://137.172.248.46/epilepsy.htm">137.172.248.46/epilepsy.htm</a>	Provides basic information & answers FAQ's

### **Spinal Muscular Atrophy**

Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy	<a href="http://www.fsma.org">www.fsma.org</a>	Provides information, resources, research articles, membership information, photos, and links
Vanderbelt Medical Center - SMA	<a href="http://www.mc.vanderbilt.edu/peds/pidl/neuro/spineatr.htm">www.mc.vanderbilt.edu/peds/pidl/neuro/spineatr.htm</a>	Vanderbelt Medical Center information on the disorder

### **Tourette Syndrome**

The Facts about Tourette Syndrome	<a href="http://Members.tripod.com/~tourette13">Members.tripod.com/~tourette13</a>	A collection of general information, FAQ's, causes, related problems, and links
Guide to the Diagnosis & Treatment of Tourette Syndrome	<a href="http://www.mentalhealth.com/book/p40-gtor.html">www.mentalhealth.com/book/p40-gtor.html</a>	Booklet intended to provide information to professionals who wish to become more knowledgeable about Tourette Syndrome
National Tourette Syndrome Association	<a href="http://www.tsa-usa.org">www.tsa-usa.org</a>	National organization dedicated to providing up-to-date, accurate information about Tourette Syndrome
TS "Plus"	<a href="http://www.tourettesyndrome.net">www.tourettesyndrome.net</a>	Current research and information on TS, its treatment, and educational issues. Files for parents, educators, and health care professionals to download. Links to other resources on the net

## **Tuberous Sclerosis**

Global TS Information Link	Members.aol.com/gtsil/ts/index.htm	Provides information about TS and the organization with a bookstore, newsletter, and links
National Tuberous Sclerosis Association	<a href="http://www.tsalliance.org">www.tsalliance.org</a>	Provides information about TS, the organization and gives resources and parent support

## **Vision Impairments**

American Council of the Blind	www.acb.org	Provides general information about the Council, including recent issues of the monthly publication, The Braille Forum
American Foundation for the Blind	www.afb.org	National resource for people who are blind or visually impaired, and the organizations that serve them; information, newsletters, events, on-line journal
Art Through Touch	Members.aol.com/ATTouch	Organization that provides tuition and a range of high quality art activities for blind and visually impaired people
Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired	www.grcmc.org/blindser	Provides information, support, and tips
Blind Children's Learning Center	www.blindkids.org	Center that seeks to develop the full potential of children and youth with a visual impairment, in the greater Orange County community, regardless of ability to pay
Blindness Resource Center (NYI SE)	www.nyise.org/blind.htm	Provides information on resources for the blind
EyeNet - American Academy Of Ophthalmology	www.aao.org	Public information, resource guide, and on-line education center
Microphthalmia, Anophthalmia and other Eye Disorders	www.angelfire.com/mi/microphthalmia	Designed to bring families together to share personal stories and experiences, links available
National Association for Visually Handicapped	www.navh.org	Provides a merchandise store, links, resources, excerpts library, and mailing list
National Federation of	www.nfb.org	Comprehensive consumer and advocacy

the Blind		organization that provides public education, information and referrals
National Library Service for the Blind & Physically Handicapped (NLS)	lcweb.loc.gov/nls/nls.html	Administers a free library program of Braille and recorded materials, as well as a music program, circulated to eligible borrowers through a network of cooperating libraries
Visual Impairment Guide	www.viguide.com	Guide to internet resources about visual impairments for parents and teachers

### **Williams Syndrome**

Williams Syndrome Association	www.williams-syndrome.org	Provides information on the disorder, medical guidelines, resource libraries, and internet links
Williams Syndrome Foundation	www.wsf.org	Provides basic information, personal stories and photos, information on organizations, and contact with families

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